

# ADULTS AND COMMUNITIES OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 6 SEPTEMBER 2016

# COMMUNITY LIFE CHOICES FRAMEWORK 2017-20 AND CONSULTATION ON FUTURE DELIVERY

#### REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF ADULTS AND COMMUNITIES

#### **Purpose of the Report**

- 1. The purpose of this report is to advise members of the Committee on the recent strategic review of Community Life Choices (CLC) services (often referred to as day services) and to invite comments on two proposals relating to their future delivery.
- 2. The report also details how the new model of CLC, and associated proposals, can ensure delivery against the savings target for CLC, set in the Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) 2016/17-2019/20.

#### **Policy Framework and Previous Decisions**

- 3. The relevant policy framework includes:
  - (i) The Care Act 2014;
  - (ii) Leicestershire County Council MTFS 2016/17-2019/20;
  - (iii) Leicestershire County Council Adult Social Care Strategy 2016-20.
- 4. The Care Act 2014 promotes consideration of emerging best practice on outcomesbased commissioning.
- 5. The Adult Social Care Strategy 2016-2020 outlines the vision and strategic direction of social care support for the next four years. The life of the Strategy is matched to the life of the current MTFS in order to meet financial targets and implement the new approach to adult social care.
- 6. It is the intention that the introduction of a new model will support outcomes based commissioning and delivery of a progressive model of support in line with the principles (prevent, reduce, delay and meet need) set out in the Adult Social Care Strategy ('Promoting Independence, Supporting Communities; Our vision and strategy for Adult Social Care 2016-20).
- 7. The new delivery model will support an outcomes-based approach to commissioning, deliver a progressive model of support in line with the principles set out in the Adult Social Care Strategy 2016-20, and deliver savings as set out in the MTFS.

- 8. During a recent review it was noted that a number of service users who were living in residential care (receiving support on a 24/7 basis), were also accessing CLC provision during the day time. Although it is accepted that this practice may be appropriate in specific circumstances, the review highlighted that there is no clear policy or guidance regarding this, and that current practice does not represent a cost effective approach to commissioning individual support.
- 9. The review also highlighted the potential to reduce the number of weeks of CLC commissioned services in order to deliver efficiency savings and that in many circumstances this would have a minimal impact on service users, although exceptions would also need to be considered for those who would require replacement care.
- On 18 July 2016, the Cabinet noted the CLC Framework 2017-20, and approved the consultation on the two delivery proposals, as outlined in paragraphs 27-42 of the report.

#### **Background**

- 11. CLC is often referred to as day services. It is commissioned to meet the support needs of people with learning disabilities, physical disabilities, mental ill health and older people within Leicestershire County with varying levels of eligible need.
- 12. A review of CLC services was undertaken by the Adults and Communities Department between September 2015 and June 2016.
- 13. The purpose of the review was to identify an approach to CLC services which not only support delivery of the Adult Social Care Strategy 2016-20, but can also deliver the savings set out in the Council's MTFS.
- 14. A total of 45 independent sector providers, currently providing a total of 102 services were included in the review, although the principles for delivery of the new model and associated proposals will also impact upon the delivery of the 13 in-house services provided directly by the Adults and Communities Department.

#### Community Life Choices (CLC)

#### <u>Current Service Provision</u>

- 15. The current independent sector CLC framework commenced on 1 October 2012 for a period of four years ending on 30 September 2016. An extension of three months was approved by the Director of Adults and Communities to allow further work/service modelling to be carried out in order to finalise the proposed CLC model, therefore the current framework is due to end on 31 December 2016.
- 16. There are numerous types of services available from the CLC framework, such as Confidence Building, Employment Support, Activities, Arts, Crafts, Wheelchair Sports, Outreach and Community Support.
- 17. Support is currently provided within a group or on a one-to-one basis, can be either building based or out in the community, and available either as hourly, half or full day sessions depending on the person's assessed need. There are 13 services

- delivered directly by the Department and the framework currently has 73 independent providers offering 198 services.
- 18. The review highlighted several issues in the context of the current provision of CLC including:
  - (i) A lack of clarity in outcomes achieved;
  - (ii) In some cases, due to inconsistent commissioning practice, some service users are receiving more support than others which is not always linked to their level of need:
  - (iii) Some services are significantly underutilised;
  - (iv) The framework is currently underutilised only 45 providers out of 73 are currently securing business through the framework;
  - (v) A lack of equity in provision due to geographical limitations of some services;
  - (vi) Inconsistency in costs for support.

#### Service Demand

19. As at November 2015, there were 849 people accessing CLC activities (both inhouse and independent). The largest cohort of service users accessing CLC services are of working age with learning disabilities. The types of services accessed by this cohort include support to gain employment, volunteering opportunities, improve life skills etc.

Primary Need	Need Age		Total number of service		
	18-64	65+	users		
Mental Health	7	64	71		
Learning Disability	470	62	532		
Physical Disability and Sensory	84	162	246		

Figures as of November 2015

20. The review of the CLC framework was undertaken to help determine future arrangements and has been informed by ongoing engagement with existing providers, the wider CLC market, adult social care staff and managers.

#### Community Life Choices Framework 2017-20 - New Model

- 21. Based on the findings of the review and the provider engagement, the new model for CLC has been designed to focus on promoting people's independence, thereby minimising or where possible eradicating the need for ongoing/future social care funded support.
- 22. Services will be based on the concept that providers can deliver support for many people to find a range of non-social care funded activities in the community, building

- social networks, increasing confidence and independence as well as supporting carers. The new model will also enable and support people to gain employment/volunteering opportunities and improve their life skills.
- 23. Although there are a number of services within the current framework which deliver services in line with the principles above, the new model has a clearer focus on meeting individual needs whilst assisting them to maximise independence, providing just enough support to prevent higher levels of need through timely, cost effective service provision, ensuring that the support adapts to fluctuating needs.
- 24. The new model will rationalise the number of providers included on the framework, in order to ensure that sufficient services are available across the County able to meet individual outcomes and has introduced a more consistent pricing structure, based on level of need.
- 25. Procurement for the new framework is underway and the intention is for the new model to be in place from 1 January 2017.
- 26. Through the development of the new model two options have been identified which relate to future delivery of CLC. The two proposals are intended to support cost effective commissioning and contribute to the delivery of efficiency savings as outlined in the MTFS.

#### Proposals for the Future Delivery of CLC across Leicestershire

- 27. Following the review process two proposals, applicable to both in-house and independent CLC services have been scoped to enable a more streamlined, consistent and robust approach to the commissioning of CLC services in the future.
- 28. The two proposals are outlined below:

## <u>Proposal A</u> - Service users who are in long term residential care (receiving support on a 24/7 basis) should no longer receive CLC services in addition to this.

- 29. Based on analysis of current data there are 132 (16%) individuals receiving permanent long term 24/7 residential care who are also accessing CLC support.
- 30. Residential care providers are contractually required to provide daytime support as individual needs require. The residential care contract states:

"The primary function of a Care Home is to support and maintain a person's quality of life by providing a level of personal care more intensive than that which could be provided on a community basis. The Service Provider (at no extra cost to the Service User) shall provide leisure opportunities, social activities and reasonable access to a telephone for Service Users."

31. The table below provides a breakdown of service users who are currently receiving 24/7 residential care and support and also receiving CLC support services:

Primary Need	1	Total number of service	
	18-64	65+	users

Learning Disability	87	27	114
Physical Disability	7	6	13
Mental Health/Social Support	-	-	5

As of May 2016 (Numbers under 5 are rounded)

- 32. The data shows that 83% of the people using CLC services have a learning disability which is the largest cohort compared to other categories of need. Therefore, it is evident that there is an inconsistent commissioning approach for those in long term residential care in terms of access to CLC services.
- 33. It is proposed that anyone receiving long term<sup>1</sup> 24/7 residential care should not also receive CLC support. However, it is accepted that potential individual exceptions may be required, for example:
  - (i) If it is evident that there is a significant risk or evidence of a negative impact to an individual, such as risk of harm;
  - (ii) CLC services are necessary to support an individual to progress to more independent living (such as supported living).
- 34. It must be highlighted that the principle described reflects a common approach to the commissioning of services in many other local authorities (including Leicester, Nottinghamshire, and Rutland) as identified in the review process, where clear and robust policies are in place to ensure that the most cost effective care is commissioned, ensuring equity across all client groups.
- 35. The adoption of Proposal A would enable more equitable access to support for people to CLC services in Leicestershire and ensure a clear and consistent approach to the commissioning of CLC services.
- 36. It is intended that the consultation exercise will identify the potential impact of the proposal and will further inform any potential need for individual exceptions if it is taken forward.
- 37. Dependent on the outcome of consultation on Proposal A, the provision for all current service users accessing CLC would be reviewed prior to any changes being made to their support package. This would be undertaken in partnership with providers and the individual/carers or their representative to ensure individual impact is effectively considered and individual exceptions applied based on individual needs where relevant.

<u>Proposal B</u> - The current number of commissioned weeks of service be reduced from 50 weeks per annum to 48 weeks per annum.

38. Fifty weeks of CLC is currently commissioned per person per annum.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Short term residential care is excluded from this recommendation in recognition of the role that CLC may play in a service user's reablement, rehabilitation and recovery.

- 39. Given the financial target savings required within the MTFS it is proposed that both existing and new service users, will receive up to a maximum of 48 weeks of CLC services.
- 40. This proposal is considered achievable as a number of service users will have holidays throughout the year and the impact to them will therefore be minimal.
- 41. The consultation will help to determine the potential level of impact on individuals and families, and how this might be implemented with the minimum impact on both users and carers.
- 42. As above, if Proposal B is taken forward the provision for all current CLC users will be reviewed prior to any changes being made to their individual support packages. The impact of any proposed change will be assessed within the review process and if it is deemed that the individual would need alternative support, for instance domiciliary care or carer respite, and then the Department will commission the most cost effective care solution.

#### **Consultation**

- 43. A public consultation exercise commenced for a six week period from 25 July 2016 and runs to 4 September 2016.
- 44. The consultation will seek views on each specific proposal as detailed above from the general public, service users, carers, providers and partners through a questionnaire (either online or paper) and targeted consultation activity involving those who may be directly affected, particularly those currently accessing CLC support, carers and providers.
- 45. The purpose of the consultation is to determine the potential impact of each of the two proposals if implemented, to identify any potential exceptions required, and to inform the most appropriate implementation approach which ensures minimum disruption to individual packages of care.
- 46. To date wide promotion of the consultation has been carried out in the form of soft social media communication to key stakeholders such as Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs), Leicestershire Partnership Trust (LPT), University of Leicester Hospitals (UHL), Healthwatch, and Voluntary Action Leicester (VAL). Seven consultation meetings have been arranged so far which will take place at existing CLC services from week commencing 15 August 2016. A total of 872 questionnaires have been requested, and 45 online questionnaires were completed during the first week of the consultation period.
- 47. The consultation results will be collated and analysed and a summary report alongside final recommendations will be submitted to the Cabinet in October 2016.

#### **Resources Implications**

48. The total CLC budget (in-house and independent sector) for 2016/17 is £8.3 million and proposed savings outlined in the MTFS are £500,000 in 2017/18, and a further £250,000 in 2018/19. The proposed saving includes all types of day activities

(independent and in-house provision) and overall the target for gross savings to be achieved will represent 9.5% of the current CLC budget.

- 49. Due to the complexity of current provision and the potential for exceptions for individual users to be considered if the proposals are implemented, savings can only be determined through individual service user reviews. In addition to the potential savings that could be achieved from the two proposals, savings will also be achieved through the introduction of a pricing schedule for CLC services, enabling the Department to achieve the overall MTFS savings target.
- 50. The Director of Corporate Resources and the Director of Law and Governance have been consulted on the content of this report.

#### **Timetable for Decisions**

51. The consultation outcomes will be reported to the Cabinet in October 2016, together with final recommendations for the delivery of the new model and proposed implementation timelines.

#### **Background Papers**

Report to Cabinet: 18 July 2016 – Community Life Choices Framework 2017-20 and Consultation on Future Delivery – <a href="http://ow.ly/UNUa303960p">http://ow.ly/UNUa303960p</a>

#### Circulation under the Local Issues Alert Procedure

52. None.

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#### **Appendix**

Equality and Human Rights Impact Assessment (EHRIA)

#### **Relevant Impact Assessments**

#### Equality and Human Rights Implications

53. The EHRIA is attached as an Appendix. The EHRIA screening of the CLC plans was considered by the Adults and Communities Departmental Equalities Group (DEG) in

March 2016. The consultation process will ensure that all current users and providers of CLC have access to the questionnaire and support is available for completion. In addition, where possible visits to current services will be carried out to enable officers to explain and help individuals to understand the proposals. The consultation results will inform the full EHRIA report and will be presented to the Cabinet alongside the consultation outcomes to assist it in the exercise of its Public Sector Equality Duty under the Equality Act 2010. The Equality Act 2010 imposes a duty on the local authority when making decisions to exercise due regard to the need to eliminate unlawful discrimination, advance equality of opportunity and foster good relations between people who have a protected characteristic and those who do not.



#### **APPENDIX**

## **Equality & Human Rights Impact Assessment (EHRIA)**

This Equality and Human Rights Impact Assessment (EHRIA) will enable you to assess the **new, proposed or significantly changed** policy/ practice/ procedure/ function/ service\*\* for equality and human rights implications.

Undertaking this assessment will help you to identify whether or not this policy/ practice/ procedure/ function/ service\*\* may have an adverse impact on a particular community or group of people. It will ultimately ensure that as an Authority we do not discriminate and we are able to promote equality, diversity and human rights.

Before completing this form please refer to the EHRIA <u>guidance</u>, for further information about undertaking and completing the assessment. For further advice and guidance, please contact your <u>Departmental Equalities Group</u> or <u>equality@leics.gov.uk</u>

\*\*Please note: The term 'policy' will be used throughout this assessment as shorthand for policy, practice, procedure, function or service.

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## **Section 1: Defining the policy**

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You should begin this assessment by defining and outlining the scope of this policy. You should consider the impact or likely impact of the policy in relation to all areas of equality, diversity and human rights, as outlined in Leicestershire County Council's Equality Strategy.

1 What is new or changed in this policy? What has changed and why?

The department currently has framework arrangements for Community Life Choices (CLC) services, which commenced 1<sup>st</sup> October 2012 for a four year period ending 30<sup>th</sup> September 2016. Due to the level of work needed to be carried out in terms of reviewing the current service and service modelling a three month extension has been agreed, and therefore the framework will now end 31<sup>st</sup> December 2016.

The framework currently has 73 independent providers delivering 198 services. In addition, there are currently 13 services provided In House.

The Framework Agreement (Independent CLC) meets the needs of people with learning disabilities, physical disabilities, mental ill health and older people within Leicestershire County. The framework is refreshed annually to encourage opportunities for new providers to join the framework however this is not associated with demand as data shows that only 47% of providers and 45% of services are being accessed.

Types of services available from the framework are; Day Services, Outreach, Physical and Social Activities, Community Support etc.

Currently, there are circa 849 service users accessing daytime activities.

The total CLC budget (In House & Independent Sector) for 2016/17 is £8.3 million. The proposed savings (£500k in 2017/18 rising to £750k in 2018/19) will be achieved through a restricted core service offer. This saving will be achieved across all types of day activities (Independent and In House). Overall the target for gross savings to be achieved will represent 9% of current CLC budget

The way that CLC is commissioned and provided in Leicestershire is being reviewed in line with the new Adult Social Care Strategy and Commissioning Strategy, to ensure how CLC support can be more cost effective.

Does this relate to any other policy within your department, the Council or with other partner organisations? *If yes, please reference the relevant policy or EHRIA. If unknown, further investigation may be required.* 

The Adult Social Care Strategy 2016 - 2020 has been prepared to outline the vision and strategic direction of social care support for the next 4 years. The life of the strategy has been determined by matching to the life of the current

Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS), in order for us to meet our financial targets and implement our new approach to adult social care.

The need for a new strategy has arisen from new and updated legislation (e.g. the Care Act), increasing demographic pressures, ongoing budget cuts and plans for the integration of health and social care services. All of these factors will have a significant impact on our approach, and on how people are supported in the future. Please see respective EHRIA for more details - EHRIA Assessment ASC Strategy and Commissioning Strategy.

In order to meet our statutory and financial obligations we have developed a model which is a 'stepped' approach, designed to ensure that people can get the right level and type of support, at the right time to help prevent, delay or reduce the need for ongoing support, and maximise people's independence. The 'stepped' approach outlines how the Department can support people with different levels of need in order to:

- prevent a need for social care (by making universal services eg advice and information, public health wellbeing initiatives available),
- reduce the need for social care (through targeted interventions, eg social groups),
- delay the need for social care (through reablement and rehabilitation services) and for those most in need,
- meeting needs with the minimum amount of support by identifying and using a broad set of social resources as well as formal service provision, and through progressive planning.

The following strategies/workstreams are related to this area of work:

- Adult Social Care Strategy 2016-20
- Help to Live at Home Project
- In-House Services Review
- Adult Social Care Commissioning Strategy
- Medium Term Financial Strategy
- Adult Social Care Workforce Strategy
- Finance
- Assessment, support planning and review
- Resource allocation
- Learning and Development
- Compliance
- Performance Management
- Integration with health
- Market shaping
- Who are the people/ groups (target groups) affected and what is the intended change or outcome for them?

The potential impact is upon anyone living in Leicestershire with a need or potential need for CLC support, with an aim of ensuring people can get the right level and type of support, at the right time to help prevent, delay or reduce the need for ongoing support, and maximise people's independence.

The focus is therefore on supporting people to achieve their outcomes, and to delivering only as much support as will enable them to do so, whilst maximising informal support from families and communities.

The table below details current service user profile;

Primary Category of Need	Age		Total No. of
	18-64	65+	Service Users
Mental Health	7	64	71
Learning Disability	470	62	532
Physical Disability & Sensory	84	162	246

The largest cohort is service users of working age with Learning Disabilities. The types of services accessed by this cohort include support to gain employment, volunteering opportunities, Life Skills, personal support etc.

The ethnicity breakdown of those accessing CLC services is detailed in the table below;

Ethnicity Description	
White-English/ Welsh/ Scottish/ N.Irish/ British	778
Asian or Asian British-Indian	31
Asian or Asian British-Any other background	22
White-Any other White background	12
Not recorded, but not refused	7
Other mixed background	6
Asian or Asian British-Chinese	2
Other ethnic group	2
Refused	2
Asian or Asian British-Bangladeshi	1
Asian or Asian British-Pakistani	1
Black or Black British-African	1
Black or Black British-Any other background	1
White and Asian	1
White and Black Caribbean	1
White-Irish	1

#### Summary of changes to current framework;

- Future CLC services for the majority of people will not be about providing activities but enabling/facilitating people either by themselves or with support to access community facilities, with a key focus on enabling and supporting people to gain employment/volunteering opportunities and improving life skills
- 2) The new framework will have approximately 25 providers. This approach will allow providers to offer as many services as they choose whilst the Department ensures an affordable and geographical spread of services across the county. The new categories of support are listed below.

**Increasing Independence** – Employment, Education, training, volunteering support

**Personal and skills development** – life skills, including use of public transport, cooking, money management

**Community engagement** – A focus on meaningful inclusive activities based in the community, with an emphasis on tailored support, which aims to meet the needs of both the individual and, where relevant, associated carers, with a view to reducing dependence on paid support.

**Health and wellbeing** - Offer advice and support on healthy lifestyles and wellbeing to individuals. The Service will promote the physical and mental health of individuals offering emotional support and enabling people to develop personal resources to deal with life changes, stresses and crises.

- 3) The new CLC framework will have set prices for support which shall be aligned to a new banding criteria, which will determine individual support needs. The cost of services and banding criteria will be applied to all those accessing CLC services whether there package of care is managed by the council or through a Direct Payment.
- 4) Based on IAS data there are currently 132 (16%) service users receiving long term 24/7 residential care that are also accessing Community Life Choices support. It is deemed that providers of such services should be able to provide activities for its service users thus minimising the need for them to also access community life choices. Which would further embed the cost effective care policy ensuring services commissioned are the most cost effective solution.
- 5) Currently 50 weeks are commissioned per annum due to Bank Holidays. To meet the savings target it is proposed that the number of commissioned weeks is reduced to 48.

The table below provides a breakdown of service users who are currently receiving 24/7 residential care and support and also receiving CLC support services:

Primary Need	,	Total number of		
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Mental Health/Social Support	-	-	5	

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The data shows that 83% of the people using CLC services have a learning disability which is the largest cohort compared to other categories of need.

4	Will this policy meet	n reside the Equ	residential care in terms of access to CLC services.  The Equality Act 2010 requirements to have due regard to of the following aspects? (Please tick and explain how)			
		Yes	No	How?		
	Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation	х		The strategy and delivery model focuses on individual outcomes for each person and encompass the full range of need		
	Advance equality of opportunity between different groups	X		The CLC framework will enable commissioning workers to arrange support for people who do not want to take their personal budget as a direct payment. The support provided to eligible individuals will need to, as with any type of social care support, will need to support this area in line with their support plan.		
	Foster good relations between different groups	х		The new CLC model will be based on inclusion, focussing on maximising family and community assets and supporting people to be part of a wider community network.		

# Section 2: Equality and Human Rights Impact Assessment (EHRIA) Screening

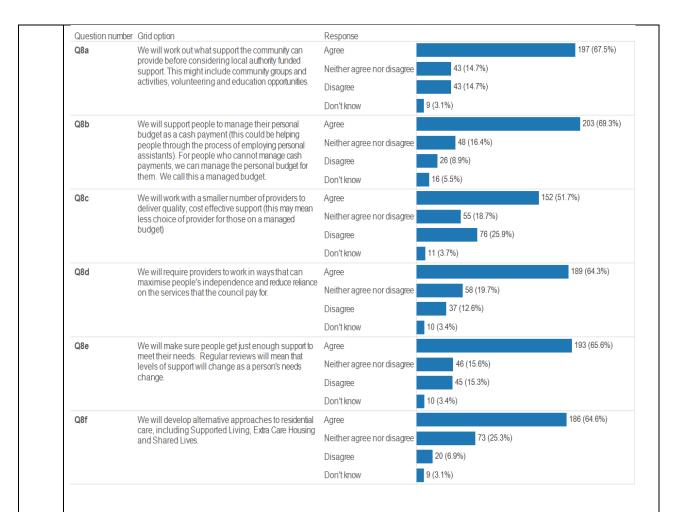
### Section 2: Equality and Human Rights Impact Assessment Screening

The purpose of this section of the assessment is to help you decide if a full EHRIA is required.

If you have already identified that a full EHRIA is needed for this policy/ practice/ procedure/ function/ service, either via service planning processes or other means, then please go straight to <a href="Section 3">Section 3</a> on Page 7 of this document.

Secti	ion 2				
A: Re	A: Research and Consultation				
5.	Have the target groups been consulted about the following?	Yes	No*		
	a) their current needs and aspirations and what is important to them;		Х		
	b) any potential impact of this change on them (positive and negative, intended and unintended);		X		

	c) potential barriers they may face		x
6.	If the target groups have not been consulted directly, have representatives been consulted or research explored (e.g. Equality Mapping)?	х	
7.	Have other stakeholder groups/ secondary groups (e.g. carers of service users) been explored in terms of potential unintended impacts?	х	
8.	*If you answered 'no' to the question above, please use the what consultation you are planning to undertake, or why yo be necessary.	•	
	There has been formal consultation as part of the Adult Soc consultation which included detail about our ideas for how to need. 321 questionnaire responses were received during the per cent of respondents were people who use social care, a cent were family member/carer of an adult who uses social individuals were engaged with through the consultation per workshops and meetings, 21 per cent of who were people wand 10 per cent were family member/carer of an adult who	the council wathe consultate and a further care. A furtliod, as part owho used so	vill 'meet tion, 19 19 per ner 732 of cial care
	The following table shows the responses to the specific que consultation which relate to the principles around meeting majority support for the proposals.		•



Specific CLC provider workshops and market testing has been carried out in relation to the new model.

There are two specific proposals for the delivery of CLC which the Department intends to consult on;

- Individuals in long term 24/7 residential care should not also receive community life choices
- 2) reducing the number of weeks support

A formal consultation is planned subject to Cabinet Approval. This will enable the department to determine the impact of implementing these proposals and to enable plans to be put in place to minimise any disruption to an individuals' package of support and care.

If people's support changes as result of this work, this will be managed through usual transitional/decommissioning processes to ensure any negative impact to the user is minimised and/or mitigated.

Secti	on 2		
B: Me	onitoring Impact		
9.	Are there systems set up to:	Yes	No

a) monitor impact (positive and negative, intended and unintended) for different groups;	Х	
b) enable open feedback and suggestions from different communities	X	

Note: If no to Question 8, you will need to ensure that monitoring systems are established to check for impact on the protected characteristics.

#### Section 2

## C: Potential Impact

10.

Use the table below to specify if any individuals or community groups who identify with any of the 'protected characteristics' may potentially be affected by this policy and describe any positive and negative impacts, including any barriers.

	Yes	No	Comments
Age	X		Older people make up the largest group of users of social care, and numbers are increasing. However community life choice users tend to be younger age adults as tend to access these services earlier in their lives. As of November 2015, 561 people accessing community life choices were under 65, and 288 were 65 years and over.
Disability	X		All people accessing community life choices services will be eligible for social care services in line with national eligibility criteria. The data in paragraph 3 details breakdown of disability for current service users of CLC services.  Any associated changes to individuals support will need to consider the best way to do this for the individuals involved through transition planning and decommissioning processes.
Gender Reassignment		х	
Marriage and Civil Partnership		х	

	Pregnancy and Maternity		X	
	Race	X		The focus on achieving individual outcomes will support equality of service delivery. Ongoing monitoring is required to ensure that services are accessible and inclusive.
	Religion or Belief	х		As above
	Sex	х		As above
	Sexual Orientation	x		As above
	Other groups e.g. rural isolation, deprivation, health inequality, carers, asylum seeker and refugee communities, looked after children, deprived or disadvantaged communities	X		Integration and partnerships with health services will contribute to addressing health inequalities.
	Community Cohesion	X		The focus on maximising use of community resources should promote greater inclusion and community cohesion.
11.	Are the human rights of individ	duals pote	entially at	ffected by this proposal? Could

there be an impact on human rights for any of the protected characteristics?

(Please tick)

Explain why you consider that any particular article in the Human Rights Act may apply to your policy/ practice/ function or procedure and how the human rights of individuals are likely to be affected below: [NB. Include positive and negative impacts as well as barriers in benefiting from the above proposal]

	Yes	No	Comments
Part 1: The Convention- Right	s and I	Freedo	oms
Article 2: Right to life	х		Safeguarding is likely to engage this article
Article 3: Right not to be	х		Social Care services including
tortured or treated in an inhuman or degrading way			community life choices is underpinned by ASC duty to

			dignity. All or commission de deliver	vellbeing and I services, eit ssioned, are o ed at an acco to maintain h	ther in house expected to eptable
Article 4: Right not to be subjected to slavery/ forced labour		X			
Article 5: Right to liberty and security	X		Safeguard rights	ding will prote	ect these
Article 6: Right to a fair trial		X			
Article 7: No punishment without law		х			
Article 8: Right to respect for private and family life			focused o to remain	ty life choices n how to sup independent their choice.	port people
Article 9: Right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion		X			
Article 10: Right to freedom of expression		Х			
Article 11: Right to freedom of assembly and association		Х			
Article 12: Right to marry		X			
Article 14: Right not to be discriminated against	х		communit designed particular or uninten disadvant	s and principy life choices to ensure the groups are intionally excluaged from action them.	are at no ntentionally uded or
Part 2: The First Protocol					
Article 1: Protection of property/ peaceful enjoyment	X		independe choice su	g people to reent in the sette poorts this are with safeguar	ting of their ticle,
Article 2: Right to education		x			
Article 3: Right to free elections		х			
Section 2 D: Decision					
12. Is there evidence or any other suggest that:	eason t	0	Yes	No	Unknown

a) this policy could have a different affect or adverse impact on any section of the community;
b) any section of the community may face barriers in benefiting from the proposal
13. Based on the answers to the questions above, what is the likely impact of this policy
No Impact Positive Impact Neutral Impact Negative Impact or Impact Unknown
Note: If the decision is 'Negative Impact' or 'Impact Not Known' an EHRIA Report is required.
14. Is an EHRIA report required?  Yes X  No

#### **Section 2: Completion of EHRIA Screening**

Upon completion of the screening section of this assessment, you should have identified whether an EHRIA Report is required for further investigation of the impacts of this policy.

**Option 1:** If you identified that an EHRIA Report <u>is required</u>, continue to <u>Section 3</u> on Page 7 of this document to complete.

**Option 2:** If there are <u>no</u> equality, diversity or human rights impacts identified and an EHRIA report <u>is not required</u>, continue to <u>Section 4</u> on Page 14 of this document to complete.

## Section 4: Sign off and scrutiny

Upon completion, the Lead Officer completing this assessment is required to sign the document in the section below.

It is required that this Equality and Human Rights Impact Assessment (EHRIA) is scrutinised by your <u>Departmental Equalities Group</u> and signed off by the Chair of the Group.

Once scrutiny and sign off has taken place, a depersonalised version of this EHRIA

should be published on Leicestershire County Council's website. Please send a copy of this form to <a href="mailto:louisa.jordan@leics.gov.uk">louisa.jordan@leics.gov.uk</a>, Members Secretariat, in the Chief Executive's department for publishing.

Section 4 A: Sign Off and Scrutiny
Confirm, as appropriate, which elements of the EHRIA have been completed and are required for sign off and scrutiny.
Equality and Human Rights Assessment Screening
Equality and Human Rights Assessment Report
1 <sup>st</sup> Authorised Signature (EHRIA Lead Officer):
Date:
2 <sup>nd</sup> Authorised Signature (DEG Chair):
Date:

